# St Martin's Church, North Nibley

# 30th May 2021

# A service of the Word for Trinity Sunday

[Priest] We meet in the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

[Priest] Welcome to our service.

#### **News and Notices**

#### Hymn -

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

- 2 .Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3. Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy! Lord God almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea. Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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#### Collect

[Priest] Holy God,

faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

# God Calls Isaiah to Be a Prophet

**6** In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord. He was sitting on his throne, high and exalted, and his robe filled the whole Temple. **2** Around him flaming creatures were standing, each of which had six wings. Each creature covered its face with two wings, and its body with two, and used the other two for flying. **3** They were calling out to each other: "Holy, holy, holy! The Lord Almighty is holy! His glory fills the world."

- **4** The sound of their voices made the foundation of the Temple shake, and the Temple itself became filled with smoke.
- **5** I said, "There is no hope for me! I am doomed because every word that passes my lips is sinful, and I live among a people whose every word is sinful. And yet, with my own eyes I have seen the King, the Lord Almighty."
- 6 Then one of the creatures flew down to me, carrying a burning coal that he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. 7 He touched my lips with the burning coal and said, "This has touched your lips, and now your guilt is gone, and your sins are forgiven."
  8 Then I heard the Lord say, "Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?"

I answered, "I will go! Send me!"

Epistle: Romans 8:12-17

12 So then, my friends, we have an obligation, but it is not to live as our human nature wants us to. 13 For if you live according to your human nature, you are going to die; but if by the Spirit you put to death your sinful actions, you will live. 14 Those who are led by God's Spirit are God's children. 15 For the Spirit that God has given you does not make you slaves and cause you to be afraid; instead, the Spirit makes you God's children, and by the Spirit's power we cry out to God, "Father! my Father!" 16 God's Spirit joins himself to our spirits to declare that we are God's children. 17 Since we are his children, we will possess the blessings he keeps for his people, and we will also possess with Christ what God has kept for him; for if we share Christ's suffering, we will also share his glory.

**Gospel:** John 3:1-17

- **3** There was a Jewish leader named Nicodemus, who belonged to the party of the Pharisees. **2** One night he went to Jesus and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher sent by God. No one could perform the miracles you are doing unless God were with him."
- **3** Jesus answered, "I am telling you the truth: no one can see the Kingdom of God without being born again."
- **4** "How can a grown man be born again?" Nicodemus asked. "He certainly cannot enter his mother's womb and be born a second time!"
- **5** "I am telling you the truth," replied Jesus, "that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. **6** A person is born physically of human parents, but is born spiritually of the Spirit. **7** Do not be surprised because I tell you that you must all be born again. **8** The wind blows wherever it wishes; you hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it is going. It is like that with everyone who is born of the Spirit."
- 9 "How can this be?" asked Nicodemus.
- 10 Jesus answered, "You are a great teacher in Israel, and you don't know this? 11 I am telling you the truth: we speak of what we know and report what we have seen, yet none of you is willing to accept our message. 12 You do not believe me when I tell you about the things of this world; how will you ever believe me, then, when I tell you about the things of heaven? 13 And no one has ever gone up to heaven except the Son of Man, who came down from heaven."
- 14 As Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the desert, in the same way the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

  16 For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who

believes in him may not die but have eternal life. **17** For God did not send his Son into the world to be its judge, but to be its saviour.

## Anthem - O come ye servants by Christopher Tye

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O come ye servants of the Lord, and praise His holy name. From early morn to setting sun His might on earth proclaim. His laws are just and glad the heart, He makes His mercies known: Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before His throne.

[Priest] Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father,

from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.

Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

# A Prayer for Forgiveness

[Priest] Let us join in prayer:

We believe in one God;

Lord God,

we have sinned against you;

we have done evil in your sight.

We are sorry and repent.

Have mercy on us according to your love.

Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.

Renew a right spirit within us

and restore to us the joy of your salvation,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour forgive your sins and make you holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

### Hymn -

Firmly I believe and truly God is Three and God is One; and I next acknowledge duly manhood taken by the Son.

- 2 And I trust and hope most fully in that manhood crucified; and each thought and deed unruly do to death, as he has died.
- 3 Simply to his grace and wholly light and life and strength belong, and I love supremely, solely, him the holy, him the strong.
- 4 And I hold in veneration, for the love of him alone, Holy Church as his creation, and her teachings as his own.
- 5 Adoration ay be given, with and through the angelic host, to the God of earth and heaven, Father Son and Holy Ghost.

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#### Our service draws to a conclusion

[Priest] Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

### The Blessing

[Priest] God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen

## Motet for Pentecost

### Loquebantur Variis Linguis Apostoli by Palestrina

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Loquebantur variis linguis apostolic magnalia Dei, prout Spiritus Sanctus dabat eloqui illis. Alleluia. Repleti sunt omnes Spiritu Sancto, et ceperunt loqui, prout Spiritus Sanctus dabat eloqui illis, Alleluia.

The apostles spoke in various languages of the great works of God, as the Holy Spirit gave them utterance. Alleluia. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak as the Holy Spirit gave them utterance. Alleluia.

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